Ditties from the Edge of the World

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Special thanks to Sue Walker "whose original ideas inspired Summer-time Kinght and Anna's Song." All songs sung by Linda Short.

- Bound for Cygnus by Trad / Linda Short
- Queen of Seasons by Maria Przeslawska
- Trooper Grey by Linda Short
- Summer-time Knight by Linda Short, inspired by Sue Walker
- Anti-hero's Lament by Val Douglas
- Kerril and Son by Linda Short
- B7 in Brief by ?
- Star of the Delta Grade by Trad / Linda Short
- Lily of Sarran by Maria Przesławska
- Mistress of the Universe by Jean Sheward
- Anna'a Song by Linda Short, inspired by Sue Walker
- Retribution by Carol West
- Drink up thy Soma by Trad / Linda Short

"Linda Short's first album, "Songs Of The Seven", was all original music, but people complained because they couldn't just sing them with the words, so she did another, "Ditties From the Edge of The World," with existing tunes for her original words. There's something very special - magical! - about sitting around late at night during a con, singing songs related to your passion, some about novels you've read, others about novels you might then decide to read as a result."^[1]

Filk Album

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World

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Performer(s): Linda Short

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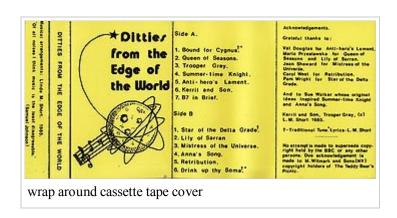
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Sample Lyrics

Anti-Hero's Lament (sung in a mild Cockney or strong Londish)^[2]}}

I'm only a poor Anti-Hero In a Space Opera on BBC You may think it looks thrilling When blood I am spilling But you ought to try it & see!



I has to wear clothes that look macho Just to make my tough image complete But the leather feels lumpy, The studs are all bumpy & the boots are KILLING me feet!

My crew don't invite me to party 'Cause they says I'm a killjoy & bore & the girls I admire Get shot & expire So I don't chat 'em up anymore.

I ain't got no friends, 'cause I kills them.
Well, I has to, before they kills me.
I look vicious & snigger
As I pull the trigger
Then I goes back alone to me bunk, & me tea.

So I think, as I sit in me cabin, Of the good times to come- Do I? Heck! As a cynic I know I will end the last show W/ me brains splattered over the deck.

& when the last series is cancelled 'Cause the Beeb doesn't want us no more I'm going to aspire to A place to retire to With roses & things 'round the door

So I sit on me own in me cabin
Writing poems, & trying to get me lines to scan
If I was in another progr-(I)-am
I know that I could show I am
A really kind hearted & loveable man.

So pity the poor Anti-Hero
The next time he appears on your screen
His poor heart is breaking
His feet they are aching!
No wonder the poor sod looks mean!

B7 In Brief (sung to the tune of M. Witmark and Sons' The Teddy Bear's Picnic) (excerpt)

If you go out in the woods today
You'd better not go alone
Don't go out in the woods today
It's safer to stay at home.
Each mortal man that ever there was
Today is in great danger because
T'day's the day the Decimas 'ave their picnic.

Picnic time for Decimas
The little Decimas were 'aving a lovely time today
Until they became aware
Of someone's intentions with deadly rays.
Now see them start to shriek and shout
They love to kick about a couple of heads or two
I hope that when it's time to go
That you'll take your bloody rubbish oh
Nice little Decimas.

References

- 1. ↑ FILK MUSIC REMEMBER WHEN...? (http://suebursztynski.blogspot.com /2006 06 01 archive.html) dated June 24, 2996.
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